LOW TO "OPEN" THE SUBWAY,

TRAIN OF HAND CARS WILL GO THROUGH TUNNEL TO-DAY

From City Hall to Harlem-New Mayor and Borough President Invited to Go Along—Mr. Lew Will Sit on the First Hand Car With the R. T. Board.

The first train on the underground railroad will be run to-day. It will not be a train of electric cars such as will be operated when the road is opened in March for traffic. It will be a train of hand cars, but it will be a train, nevertheless. And it will run from the City Hall to Harlem.

Those who have arranged the trip call it one of an inspection of the tunnel. But behind it there is an interesting story of one ambition that Mayor Low has set his heart upon, but which could not be carried out because of the strikes which prevented the completion of the road in his term of office. Mayor Low never made any secret of his desire to have the road officially opened before the end of his term. In his two years of office there have been more bronze tablets erected with the words "Seth Low, Mayor" on them than were ever put up with a Mayor's name on in any previous mayoralty. The Williamsburg Bridge was opened before it was ready for traffic, and Mr. Low's name is engraved on the bronze plate. The train of hand cars which will be pumped through the subway to-day will be regarded as at least an informal opening of the tunnel.

Just who suggested the trip could not be learned yesterday, but John B. McDonald has arranged it "by request." The request made to him was that he should take Mayor Low through the subway on the first continuous trip to be made through the tunnel from the City Hall to the Harlem. There will be three hand cars. On the first of them Mr. Low will be seated. With him will be the Rapid Transit Commis-

A second hand car has been provided for Mayor McClellan and Borough President Ahearn if they care to accept the invitation which was sent to them yesterday to join the party. So far Mr. McClellan has not accepted the invitation. When Mayor Low and his companions get to the Harlem end of the line they are to sit down to a spread at which there is to be speechifying about the progress made in Mr. Low's administration toward the carrying out of the subway work, which had only been begun when he entered office.

Despite all this ceremony the assertion was made yesterday that the hand car trip was nothing more than a pleasure jaunt. "It would not be right to call this an informal opening, even," Mr. Grout said, because we will merely travel on hand cars. There can be no real opening until the electric cars are running." But to Mr. Low, although he will have officially relinquished his office an hour before he starts on the trip, will belong the honor of having been the first to travel from one end of the tunnel to the other within Manhattan.

Mr. McDonald announces that between 10 A. M. and 5 P. M. to-day he will open to the public for inspection, the stations on the subway rapid transit railroad at Bleecker street, Twenty-eighth street, Columbus Circle and Eighty-sixth street.

GIRLS CAUGHT IN ELEVATOR. Fire Department Stenographers Fed or Peanuts and Bananas.

Josephine McKean and Hettie R. Holstein, stenographers employed in the office of acting Chief Kruger of the Fire Department, were prisoners for two hours in the elevator at Fire Headquarters yesterday

The young women were detained unusually late on Wednesday night because of a large batch of promotions made by oner Sturgis. They finished their work at midnight and got in the elevator at the fifth floor to go home. The elevator started for the sixth floor to take down one of the operators from the fire alarm bureau, but it didn't get there. Half way between floors it stuck.

"I believe I could eat corn beef and cabbage now. I am really faint," Miss Holstein said to Miss McKean.
"I'm going to take a nap. I know I shall dream of the dinner I had the other night," replied Miss McKean.
"I have a better idea than that Josie. Let's send out for something to eat," said

The idea seemed to be a good one and the two young women called to one of the operators on the floor above and asked him to go out and get some food. He returned in half an hour and, tying a string to a paper bag, lowered it to their prison. "That is the best I could do fer you, ladies. All the restaurants around here

are closed up."

They found a pint of peanuts and two bananas. As they threw the last peanut shell on the floor a man from the elevator company came along, fixed the safety clamp on the machine and the elevator

SUES RAILROAD FOR TWO CENTS. Philadelphia Lawyer to Test the Pennsylvania's "Side Tracking" Order.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—Howard Coope Johnson, attorney, has brought suit against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for the recovery of two cents with interest, which he alleges was collected illegally from him on Monday of this week. Behind the litigation is a question of the legality of the railroad's so-called "side tracking"

Mr. Johnson is very much in earnest about his suit. He says that the money involved is nothing and would not be if it were many times greater, but that as a matter of principal he is determined to compel the Pennsylvania road to take a stand one way

or the other. Mr. Johnson left Baltimore on last Monday on his way to Philadelphia, knowing that he would be compelled to leave the train at West Philadelphia. He cautioned train at West Philadelphia. He cautioned the conductor not to take the amount of coupons from his mileage book. Despite his protests the conductor took ninety-six miles, which, according to the time table, was good to Broad street station which is 953-10 miles from Baltimore, while from Baltimore to West Philadelphia is only 941-10 miles. Arriving at West Philadelphia he insisted that he be taken to Broad street station, and was only laughed Broad street station, and was only laughed

NAVY TUGS IN COLLISION.

Peorla and Hercules Damage Each Other

-Were Working on Stranded Moccasin. NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 31.—The Government tugs Peoria and Hercules were in collision at sea yesterday while working on the United States submarine torpedo boat Moccasin, now ashore at Currituck Inlet on the North Carolina coast. Both vessels were badly injured. The Hercules has arrived at the Norfolk navy yard for re-pairs, while the Peoria is lying by the Moc-casin until she can be relieved.

The collision occurred during a heavy sea while the two boats were about one mile

from shore. The Peoria was trying to re-cover a heavy hawser from the Hercules when she was driven against the latter with much force, splintering the wood-work. The machinery of neither vessel

casin still remains fast aground, and it looks as though a marine railway will have to be improvised to get her into

THREATENED TO DYNAMITE. Gravelle Guilty of Trying to Extert Money

HRLENA, Mon., Dec. 31.-Isaac Gravelle, tried on a charge of having sent letters to Northern Pacific officials threatening to dynamite their property unless \$50,000 was given him, was found guilty by the jury this afternoon. He will be sentenced Monday, and may get ten years in State's

DR. VAN DE WATER'S DENIAL. No Chance Yet on the Witness Stand to Deny Watt's Allegations.

Counsel for the Rev. Dr. George R. Van De Water, rector of St. Andrew's Protestant Episcopal Church, and for Capt. William H. Truman appeared before Judge Fitzgerald in the Supreme Court yesterday to oppose the dismissal of the cross actions for divorce brought in this county by Commodore Archibald Watt and his wife, Adele, who not long ago obtained a decree of absolute divorce in Orange county. Application was also made to the court by counsel that Commodore Watt be compelled to furnish bills of particulars to their clients, both of whom he names as corespondents. William H. Sage, counsel for Dr. Van De Water, filed an affidavit, made by his client, in which Dr. Van De Water positively and explicitly denied the accusations made against him by Commodore Watt and said:

In July, 1903, when my attorney moved for a bill of particulars of the charges against me in said answer (by Commodore Watt in the Orange county suit., I was in Italy and urable to make any affidavit on said motion. Now that said motion is to be renewed, I positively and absolutely deny that any act of adultery was ever committed by me with the plaintiff, and allege that I have no knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the facts and circumstances which the defendant claims support the said charges against me.

Justice Fitzgerald took the papers in the

the said charges against me.

Justice Fitzgerald took the papers in the case, and reserved decision. Commodore Watt was not represented. David May, of Howe & Hummel's office, was present on behalf of Mrs. Watt, but took no part. He said that counsel on both sides had agreed to let the suit in this county drop, as the decree issued in Orange county had made it superfluous. As to the probable failure of Commodore Watt to furnish the desired bill of particulars, he said:

"There is no punishment for Mr. Watt's refusal to obey the decree of the court in this matter. Dr. Van De Water and Capt. Truman may each have a serious grievance, but if Mr. Watt's suit is dismissed on account of the non-appearance of both parties to it,

of the non-appearance of both parties to it, I do not see how the corespondents can take the witness stand, as there will be no evidence before the court for them to deny."

CITY COLLEGE CONTRACT. Objectors to Dwyer's Bid Warn the Corporation Counsel

Supreme Court Justice Fitzgerald reserved decision yesterday on the application of John C. McCord, a taxpayer, for an injunction to restrain the trustees of the City College, of whom Edward Lauterbach is one, from awarding the contract for the construction of the new college to Thomas Dwyer, who put in the lowest bid for the work. Hedden & Sons and J. C. Sheehan each bid \$100,000 more than Dwyer, whose bid was \$1,625,000.

L. Laflin Kellogg, for McCord, said that Dwyer, upon his own evidence, given at an examination before trial, had furnished straw sureties for the performance of his contract, and that the object of the present contract, and that the object of the present proceeding was to determine whether such bonds were legal. Mr. Kellogg said that Dwyer knew that his sureties were not properly qualified, one of them being his own bookkeeper and the other his superintendent, both of whom worked for a selective. John M. Bowers, for Dwyer, contended

John M. Bowers, for Dwyer, contended that the bid was perfectly legal and that Dwyer had given similar sureties many times before and had always fulfilled his contracts. Mr. Bowers said that there was no question of his client's good faith.

For the city, Mr. Chase Mellen argued that the college trustees had a perfect right, if they saw fit, to waive any formalities in connection with the bids, and that they were at liberty to accept Mr. Dwyer's bid, notwithstanding the character of his sureties. Mr. Kellogg replied that the law r. Keilogg replied that the lay demanded that certain formalities should be observed, and that if the Corporation Counsel gave advice upon which a city official failed to obey the statutes he left

FLOWERS FOR DEUEL. His Last Day as Magistrate-To Sit in Spe-

cial Sessions This Year. Just before the close of the afternoon session of the Essex Market police court vesterday three large baskets of cut flowers were put on the desk in front of Magistrate

Deuel, who to-day becomes a Special Sessions Justice. One of the baskets was from Col. W. D. Mann and the others from the policemen of the Essex Market squad and Capt. Martin Handy of the West Forty-seventh street

station. Sergt. McCarthy of the court squad made the presentation speech. "I echo the sentiments of all the officials and lawyers connected with this court," he said, "in saying that your uniform courtesy and sense of justice has endeared he said. you to the people of New York, and especi ally the poor unfortunate class in the lower East Side who have had occasion to visit

The Magistrate made a brief speech in response, in which he complimented the court squad on the way they had handled the crowds of litigants.

Justice Olmsted and Magistrate Mayo sat on the bench with Magistrate Deuel during the afternoon.

BAD BILLS FOR THE UNWARY. Anybody Who Takes This Jersey Paper as Currency Can Have It.

There has been another outbreak of the worthless bills of the dead State Bank of New Brunswick, N. J. The present eruption is recorded as occurring in Pueblo The Secret Service people said yester day that these New Brunswick bills are likely to appear for as long a time as there are swindlers with the nerve to put them

The bank on which the notes were issued The bank on which the notes were issued went out with the other State banks years ago. The unissued notes of the bank, together with the plates from which they were printed, fell into the hands of a New Brunswick junk dealer, who kept them in hand for several years and then began to dispose of them in bulk to adventurous spirits. They were ostensibly sold as curiosities. When the first worthess notes appeared, the Secret Service folks went down to New Brunswick and grabbed the plates and all the notes they could get hold plates and all the notes they could get hold of. But a lot of the notes escaped and are constantly heard from in the far West, where folks are given to the use of "hard money" and are not sharp in guessing at rregularities of paper money

Physician Acquitted of Malpractice.

DANBURY, Conn., Dec. 31.-Dr. Hiram A Wheeler, a practising physician of this city was acquitted to-day of murder in the second degree. A jury in the Superior Court returned a verdict of not guilty after a trial lasting two weeks. He was accused of causing Mrs. Lizzie K. Waterman's death through malpractice.

The Seagoers. Arrivals by the Majestic:

Capt. Lionel James, correspondent of the ondon Times, who is on his way to Japan London Times, who is on his way to Japan to be ready to report the war; Emilio Alvare, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Baker, Capt. Behrend, R. H. Buckingham, Ferdinand Dardier, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Elliot, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ellis, Eduardo Fernandez, C. R. Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur S. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Lowe, Col. and Mrs. Francis S. Mallory, Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Mix, Henry Norman, M. P., Mrs. C. H. Payne, Gerald Steele, Lee De Forest and Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Wood.

ENTER M'CLELLAN; EXIT LOW.

CHIEF FEATURE OF TO-DAY'S NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS.

Some Kind of Welcome Everywhere to the Changes 1904 Brings In-Yesterday Was the Outgoers' Day, and Most of the Departing Officials Got Mementoes.

The arrival of the new year will be celebrated in so many different ways to-day that everybody ought to be satisfied. There will be celebrations for politicians, subway builders, brokers, churchgoers, theatregoers, sociologists, educators, artists, and some for plain citizens.

Fifteen minutes before noon Mayor-elect McClellan, accompanied by his secretary, John H. O'Brien, will drive to the City Hall. The Mayor will enter the large reception room through the hallway, which has been extensively decorated with flags, palms and paper roses. Mayor Low will make a short speech and turn the city over to his successor at noon.

While this is going on in the reception room Borough President Cantor, on the floor above, will be turning over his office to John F. Ahearn. After the ceremonies in City Hall all the commissioners and heads of departments will go to their re-spective offices and give place to their

The last day of the present city adminis tration was marked yesterday by several pleasing incidents. Borough President Cantor had presented to him by his office staff a silver loving cup. To his secretary, George W. Blake, was given an umbrella and cane. The officials in the Mayor's

and cane. The officials in the Mayor's office presented to William J. Moran, Mr. Low's assistant secretary, a gold match box, and to Mattle Dobbins, the Mayor's confidential clerk, a gold locket.

Sheriff O'Brien and the staff of his office surprised Under Sheriff Edward C. Moen by presenting to him an elaborate silver coffee service and an engrossed address telling him how much they appreciated the way he had run the office during his tenure. Sheriff-elect Erlanger and his deputy, Julius Harburger, will be on hand to-day to take over the office from O'Brien and Moen.

To Park Commissioner Willcox was presented yesterday a silver mounted gavel,

To Park Commissioner Willcox was presented yesterday a silver mounted gavel, the gift of the department employees. George S. Terry, secretary of the Park Board, received at the same time a silver loving cup, and Thomas F. Murphy, Superintendent of Parks, received from the park laborers a diamond scarfpin.

Other politicians besides those directly concerned with the change in government are to have a good time to-day. State Senator Plunkitt has invited his friends to attend the removal of his office from the

attend the removal of his office from the northwest corner of the basement of the County Court House to the northeast The Republican Club of the Nineteenth

Assembly district will keep open house all day. The City Club will open its new house at 55 West Forty-fourth street this after-In The Bronx the new Morris High School,

that borough by 2,735 sittings, will be thrown open, as will Gordon House, a new club for open, as will Gordon House, a new club for boys at 353 West Seventeenth street.

Many churches throughout the city held watch night services. The branches of the Y. M. C. A. will celebrate the day. Archbishop Farley will give a reception at the See House. The theatres will have special matinées this afternoon.

Artists as well as others will have more than usual interest in the exhibition of the National Accdemy of Design, which opens

National Academy of Design, which opens to-day in the Fine Arts Building, at 215 West Fifty-seventh street, because of new features to be introduced this year. But the most fervent of New Year's celebrations is expected in the Tenderloin, where several well known resorts will open up again after two years of quiet.

SOCIAL EVENTS AT TUXEDO. Annual New Year's Eve Dance-Dinners

at the Clubhouse and Cottages.

TUXEDO PARK, Dec. 31.—The annual New Year's Eve dance, one of the largest social events of the Tuxedo society colony, was given by the Tuxedo Club to-night. For the past week the clubhouses have been and many have been unable to obtain accommodations. Some of the colonists who returned to town early in the season opened their cottages for the occasion The halls of the clubhouse were tastily decorated with cedars, wreaths and roping of holly, extending from the ceilings.

Among those who have opened their cotages for the holiday and ball are Mrs. Clarence Cary in the Potter cottage, Mrs. Mason Jones, W. M. Rodewald, Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Alexander, Mrs. Charles H.

Coster, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Cutting, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper Hewitt and Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Janeway in the Rushmore cottage.

During the evening dinners were given at the cottages and at the clubhouse. Among those who entertained at their cottage were Mr. and Mrs. Grenville Kane, Mr. and Mrs. Amory S. Carhart, Mr. and Mrs. Price

Collier and James Henry Smith. At the club Mr. and Mrs. James B. Haggin At the club Mr. and Mrs. James B. Haggin entertained a large party. Among the guests were Miss Lounsbery, L. T. Haggin, Cecil D. Landale, Schuyler Scheffelin, W. F. Lehr and Miss McAfee. Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Alexander also entertained a large party. Others who entertained were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. Lord, Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Lorillard, Mr. W. M. Rodewald, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Barbey, Miss Breese, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Tilford and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Tams.

After the dinner the cottagers and their

After the dinner the cottagers and their guests assembled at the clubhouse, where dancing was begun at 10:30 o'clock. At the hour of 12 the usual customs were

observed. The punch bowl was brought to the centre of the ballroom, glasses were filled and as the new year was ushered in all drank to its health, singing the old familiar song of "Auld Lang Syne." Supper was served at 1 o'clock in the dining resumed and continued until the small

resumed and continued until the small hours in the morning.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. James B. Haggin, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Rives, Mr. and Mrs. George Griswold, Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Lorillard, James Henry Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foster, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Ronalds, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Eben Richards, Mr. and Mrs. R. Fulton Cutting, Miss Cutting, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Gordon, the Hon. and Mrs. John Murray Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Amory S. Carhart, Mr. and Mrs. Price Collier, S. Carhart, Mr. and Mrs. Price Collier, Miss Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. Grenville Kane, the Misses Kane, Mr. and Mrs. Grenvine Kane, the Misses Kane, Mr. and Mrs. William Rhinelander Stewart, Miss Stewart, Miss Lounsbery, Miss McAfee, A. B. Hutchison, E. N. Taller, Miss Sloane, Miss Lily Lee Page, Mrs. Howard Page, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Davis, Russel Sands. Arthur O. Choate. LeBarot. W. S. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Davis, Russel Sands, Arthur O. Choate, LeBaron Sands Willard, Richard Lounsbery, L. T. Haggin, Cecil D. Landale, W. F. Lehr, Schuyler Schieffelin, Count and Countess C. A. Wachmeister, Scott McLaucha, Mrs. H. S. Rubens, Mrs. H. L. Burnett, Lawrence Atterbury, Frederic Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Tams, Harold Vanderbilt and Edward H. Fisher.

St. Bartholomew's Spent \$208.556.

The Year Book of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, to be out on Sunday, shows that to carry on the varied activities of the parish cost last year \$208.556, of which nearly \$90,000 was spent to maintain the parish house, \$55,800 for the current expenses of the church, and the remainder for parochial and general benevolences, including missions.

Sturgis's Eleventh Hour Promotions Fire Commissioner Sturgis yesterday nade Foreman J. Hayes a battalion chief. Hayes had been made acting fire marshal the day before. Assistant Foremen Bar-tholomew McDermott and William J. Wilban were made foremen, and Firemen Michael Heslan and Henry Lakestream were promoted to be assistant foremen.



Annual Sale

At "The Linen Store"

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Scotch, French and German manufacturers. A special feature of the Sale is the fact that the assortment of Table Cloths and Napkins includes some of our newest, most popular

and best designs-many of them having been imported this season. Considering the variety and excellence of the designs, the wide range of qualities, the large assortment of sizes and the low prices. we believe this Sale will prove of especial interest to every housekeeper.

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BENSON REARRESTED HERE.

FRISCO REAL ESTATE DEALER ACCUSED OF LAND FRAUDS.

Caught at the Waldorf on a Second Indictment Found in Washington Last Wednesday-Too Late to Get \$10,000 Ball So He's in Ludlow Street Jall.

John A. Benson, a real estate dealer of San Francisco, recently held under \$5,000 bail in Washington by Commissioner Anson . Taylor, on charges of being implicated in the Land Office frauds, was rearrested it the Waldorf-Astoria yesterday by Secret Service Agent Burns and Detective Sergeants Hughes and Barnett on a new indictment found in Washington last Wednesday charging bribery of Land Office em-

On account of the late hour at which Benson was arraigned before United States ommissioner Shields it was impossible to procure the \$10,000 bail in which he was held, and United States Marshal Henkel and two deputies lodged Benson in Ludlow Street Jail.

Benson, with his partner, Frederick A. Hyde, is charged with obtaining title to and possession of "school lands," or the seventeenth and thirty-sixth sections of land in townships in Oregon and California. Every citizen is entitled to buy these lands, but not for sale, and Benson, it is charged, ohtained from various citi-zens applications for these lands, by telling those citizens that they were merely dis-posing of their right to purchase the land

in surrendering their applications.

As a matter of fact, it is alleged Benson used these applications, supported by fraudulent affidavits of fictitious persons, to purchase the lands, and then exchanged them advantageously.

The specific charge on which Bensor

was arraigned before Commissioner Shields vas bribery. In the previous he was charged with paying to Woodford D. Harlan, Chief of the Special Service Division of the General Land Office, \$500 in return for information regarding the development of an investigation which Special Agents H. C. Steece and A. B. Pugh

were making.

The present indictment adds to those charges that of paying \$150 to William E. Valk, another land office clerk, for the same sort of information.

sort of information.

Benson appeared before Commissioner Shields with representatives of three firms of lawyers. His San Francisco lawyers, Judge & C. Campbell and Philip Mansfield, had a case gross the continent to consult with ... after his arrest in Washington. The New York firms of Nicoll, Anable & Lindsay and Curtis, Mallet-Prevost & Colt were also represented.

Commissioner Shields, after arraigning Benson and fixing the bail at \$10,000, agreed, by consent of Assistant United States District Attorney Baldwin, to accept the bail to-day, if it is brought to him at his home

to-day, if it is brought to him at his home in Brooklyn. The examination was fixed for Jan. 12.

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Benson was arrested in 1885 on a similar charge of bribery. At his trial in San Francisco in 1886 he was acquitted, but subsequently he was rearrested. Pending trial on the second offence he jumped his bail, went abroad and resided in Copenhagen for several years. About eight years ago he returned and resumed the real estate business in San Francisco. business in San Francisco. His wife and brother-in-law were with him at the Waldorf when he was arrested.

DON'T WANT NEGRO TROOPS. corgia Militia Officers Recommend That

Such Organizations Be Disbanded. SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 31 .- At a meeting nere to-day the executive committee of the Association of Officers of the Georgia State Proops adopted numerous important recommendations looking to a material change in the military establishment. The most important measure adopted, and one which was discussed at some length, was a recommendation to Gov. Terrell that the negro troops of the State be disbanded at once. The vote on this action was 8 to 5.

A resolution offered, in the preamble of which it was recited that "Whereas it has come to the attention of the officers that a certain labor organization has adopted a by-law which is restrictive of the participation of its members in military service," and in the body of which it was recommended to the Governor that he embody in his next message to the Legislature a recom-mendation that legislation be enacted making such action on the part of the labor nions a criminal offence, was lost, the vote being 7 to 3 against its passage.

MISS ANDERSON KNEW ABEEL. Tells Jerome Assistant That He's the Man Who Posed as Goelet.

Miss Eleanor Anderson, accompanied by her sister Catherine, saw Assistant District Attorney Lord yesterday afternoon. She said that she had seen James Abeel in Niagara, Ont., and that he is the young man who introduced himself to her under the name of "J. Ogden Goelet." She also recognized the letter of intro-duction to which the name of J. B. Van Every of the Western Union Telegraph Company was forged. She said that it was presented to her by Abeel. She swore

to these statements.

Binghamton Hotel Gutted by Fire. BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 31 .- The Hotel Lewis, the oldest and one of the largest hotels n the city, was gutted by fire between 12 and 1 o'clock to-day. The fire started on the top floor. The loss will be at least



at 9:00 a.m., 6:30 p.m., 10:00 p.m. and 3:00 a. m. for St. Paul, Minneapolis, Duluth, Superior and the forthwest via the Chicago and Northwestern Railway. These fast trains are equipped with all the conveniences One of them is the electric lighter

North = Western Limited

eaving at 6:30 p. m. has Pullman drawing-room and compartment sleep-ing cars, buffet smoking cars, Booklovers Library, dining car, free chair cars and day coaches. Other trains are equipped with Pullman drawing room sleeping cars, cafe and parlor cars and free chair cars.

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JEWS MIGHT TAKE PALESTINE,

INTERESTING SUGGESTION AT AN ANTI-MASSACRE MEETING.

"Can't Invade Palestine," Says Dr. Zeff, "but That Doesn't Prevent Jews Backing Up a Nation at War With Turkey and Getting Territory for Reward.

The large hall at 48 to 52 Orchard street was filled to its limit last evening with Jewish people assembled in mass meeting to protest against Russian anti-Semitic atrocities, and particularly to denounce the alleged conspiracy to repeat, a week hence, the barbarities of Kishineff, Similar meetings were also held last evening by Jews in New Haven, Providence, Indianapolis, St. Louis, San Francisco and a number of other American cities. From some of these there came to the Orchard street meeting telegrams of sympathy and encouragement.

All of these meetings were held under the auspices of the Zion Guards, an organization designed to promote good citizenship among the Jews of this country, and to develop in them by physical culture and other methods a spirit of resistance to oppression. It was particularly insisted in Orchard street last evening that the meeting there had nothing to do with

The Rev. Joseph Zeff, speaking in Yiddish. outlined something of the Jews' plans. We wish to work out our plans peace

"We wish to work out our plans peace-fully if we can, but at the same time we are fully impressed with the fact that if we are to get our rights at all, either in Russia or elsewhere where we are oppressed, we must show that we can take our own part. That applies to the Zion Guards. If Pales-tine is to be occupied by the Jews, we must make the Turks regreet us as fighting make the Turks respect us as fighting men.
"It is contrary to international law for us having no national

to invade Palestine, we having no national existence. But that fact does not prevent our joining some other nation that may be at war with Turkey and taking Palestine as at war with Turkey and taking raiestine as our just reward for our services. There are now some 40,000,000 Arabs who are dominated by 5,000,000 Turks. These Arabs have the right to resent and resist this government by the minority and, with the Jews at their backs, such resistance might one day come. one day come.

Strong resolutions were adopted by the meeting denouncing Russian barbarity to the Jews and warning the civilized world against the plan for a Jewish massacre in

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Russia, reputed to be fixed for Jan. 7. It was directed that alcopylof these resolutions be sent to President Roosevelt.

Hermann Dressler was chosen chairman of the meeting and M. J. Dressler, secretary, Among others who spoke were the Rev. Dr. Albertson, J. Frank, Alexander Lamar, Samuel Masen and others. The speeches were about equally divided between Yiddish and English.

GOING BACK WITH \$16,000 Head of Episcopal College in Shanghai Has New Buildings Assured.

With a check for \$16,000 in his pocket, the Rev. Dr. F. L. H. Pott, president of the Rev. Dr. F. L. H. Pott, president of St. John's Episcopal College at Shanghai, starts for home to-day. Immediately upon his arrival ground will be broken for a new dormitory and administration building for the college, accommodating 120 more students than at present and costing \$28,000. The remaining \$12,000 was raised by English and American residents in China and by Chinese Government officials and merchants. The residents got together one-half and the Chinese the rest. One of the largest checks came from ex-Minister largest checks came from ex-Minister Wu-ting fang.

TAMSEN'S LOST PRISONER. Man. P. O. Burglar, Brought Back Her After Eight Years.

Charles Allen, who, with his confederates in many post office burglaries, Killoran and Russell, escaped from Ludlow street and Russell, escaped from Ludlow street jail eight years ago, on the celebrated occasion when the jail was pronounced "owid" by Sheriff Tamsen's keepers, arrived here yesterday in custody aboard the White Star liner Majestic from Liverpool and Queenstown. He is just out of Dartmoor, and he started for Springfield on an afternoon train, to stand his trial for the Springfield Post Office robbery, for which he was originally arrested in this city.



Extra news-

We Will Continue

to-morrow and all next week

The Annual Clearance Sale

of Our Entire Stock

of Women's, Misses' and Children's

Winter Cloaks, Suits & Dresses,

at reductions of 1/3 to 1/2 less

Than Recent Prices.

Girls' Winter Coats.

-4 to 14 years.Zibeline Full Length Coats, recently \$12.50.....at \$7.50

Novelty Cloth Coats, recently \$20.00......at \$11.75

Novelty Cloth Coats, recently \$80,00 at \$20.00

Girls' Dresses.

piece Wool Dresses in dozens of styles; also At White Piqué Dresses; any size, 4 to 14 yrs.; \$4.75.

Women's Wool Waists.

Lord & Taylor,

Broadway and Twentieth Street and Fifth Avenue.

New Entrance on 19th Street.

A collection of about 100 Girls' One and Two-

A Very Special Offering,

consisting of a stock of 500 Plaid and Striped

Flannel Waists in many styles and all the lat-

est colorings; recently priced \$5.00 to \$7.50,

Women's and Misses'

Fancy Coats,

recently \$50.00......at \$30.00

Women's Evening Wraps

of fine white and black broadcloth;

Women's Cheviot Jackets,

recently \$17.50.....at \$10.00

Women's & Misses' Jackets,

recently \$25 to \$30.....at \$15.00

Women's and Misses'

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recently priced \$7.50 to \$12.50,

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Stores closed to-day; but tomorrow we start the Happy New Year with a winter overcoat sale.

\$12.50 buys any one of 1600 coats, of which 104 were \$14. and the rest \$16, \$18, \$20 and a

All wool worsted linings and satin sleeve linings-some have silk shoulders too.

\$12.50. \$20 buys any one of 1550 coats whose prices ran up to \$45, half

of which were from \$30 to \$45. Many are silk-lined throughout, the rest worsted-lined with silk shoulders and satin sleeve linings; many of the handsomest fabrics on our counters are included.

Both the \$12.50 and \$20 groups include regular and long coats in both men's and vouths' sizes; and in each are a few extra sizes for big men.

ROGERS, PEET & COMPANY. 258 Broadway, opposite City Hall, and 7 and 9 Warren St.



New Years Notes: The time for Good Resolutions.

Resolve to be a Well Dressed Man. Stop in to-morrow. We'll

show you How. Hackett, Carhart & Co. Three (841 Corner Thirteenth Street

Broadway 420 Corner Canal Street
Stores 265 Near Chambers Street BOYESEN BURGLAR KNOWN. Detectives Say He's William Dean of the

Rogues' Gallery. The negro who was caught on Wednesday right in the apartments of Mr. and Mrs Algernon K. Boyesen, at 7 East Thirty-second street, was held in \$1,000 bail for trial by Magistrate Flammer in the Jefferson Market police court yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyesen did not come to court, and William H. Coleman, manager of the apartments, appeared as complain-

ant.
The negro, who pleaded guilty, said he was Charles Williams of Chattanooga, Tenn.
Detectives Dockstadter and Bresnan said that he was William Dean, whose picture is in the Rogues' Gallery, and who was sentenced to a year in the penitentiary on a charge of burglary about a year ago. The detectives quoted the prisoner as say-

ing:
"If I ever get out in winter **again** I'll kill some one and get sent away for life."